IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:)) CONFIRMATION NO.: 8170
	Hiroyuki MATSUURA)	
U.S. S	erial No.: 10/563,208)	Group Art Unit: 3753
Filed:	January 3, 2006)	Examiner: Kevin L. Lee
For:	PRESSURE REDUCTION PROCE METHOD, AND PRESSURE REC		VICE, PRESSURE REDUCTION PROCESS ON VALUE

RESPONSE AS SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A reply to the Office Action of December 21, 2010 was due by March 21, 2011. Submitted herewith, together with the requisite fee, is a Petition for extending the time of reply up to and including June 21, 2011. Both this paper and the Petition are accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and its requisite fee. Please accept all of these papers as timely filed.